

DEVELOPING CATTLE INDUSTRY OF NEBRASKA

G. W. HERVEY TELLS EARLY HISTORY NEBRASKA AND OF BARTLETT RICHARDS.

MUCH PROGRESS SINCE THEN

Development of the Selected Herd, Resulting in High Grade Stock—Efforts of Stockmen to Uphold Standard.

G. W. Hervey, long known as one of Nebraska's most prominent live stock boosters who has been with the Twentieth Century Farmer for several years, which has been consoldated with the Nebraska Farmer, of Lincoln, wrote The Herald a very interesting letter this week, reading as follows:

"Omaha, Nebraska, June 3, 1918. Mr. John W. Thomas, Live Stock Editor, The Alliance Herald, Alliance, Nebraska.

"Dear Mr. Thomas:—I am mailing you a copy of the Twentieth Century Farmer—its closing issue, containing an article I have written mainly incorporating some personal information I got from our friend Richards at the time and previous to his incarceration for the same offense that thousands of others were alike guilty of, if it could be classed or fairly termed a guilt. Bartlett Richards, to my idea, of personality in men, was a splendid type of man and in his work accomplished a great work in his range cattle breeding, which I have thought should be accredited to him, and as I am going out of newspaper activities I could not feel satisfied in not giving expression to some of his virtues in the range cattle industry.

"I feel that practically every man who engaged in operating herds on the range in the early days of the country deserves my recognition for the influence he exerted in helping in the civilizing of the range and thereby aiding in a general bettering of conditions.

"Send me copies of your paper containing anything of interest to the western Nebraska live stock work at any time. I am still greatly interested and shall always be in the live stock work of your division of the state. You have certainly been a loyal hard worker and I hope the citizens of western Nebraska fully (Continued on Page 10 Section 1)

DELPHIAN CHAPTER ORGANIZED HERE

The Alpha Delphian Chapter of Alliance Starts Out With Twenty-two Members in Alliance.

The organization meeting of the Delphian Chapter of Alliance was held in the rooms of the public library on Wednesday morning, June 5, at 10 o'clock. Miss Tempa Lewis Hughes, of Kansas City, organizer for the Delphian society presided at the meeting. Mrs. J. L. Hughes, also a Delphian organizer was secretary of the day.

The object of the Delphian chapters is to promote social progress, higher education, and personal improvement and to prove a representative organized body, ready at any time to take concerted action on any measure that vitally affects the life of the community.

The immediate plan is to pursue the progress of civilization from Egypt to the present day, thus obtaining a correlative knowledge of the different epochs in the world's history and their bearing on conditions today.

The Delphian society is a national organization and Alliance is glad to have the opportunity of being a unit in its composition.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. E. Hunter. Vice President, Mrs. J. S. Rhein. Secretary, Mrs. G. L. Griggs. The membership is limited and these ladies were enrolled:

R. W. Becl, E. H. Boyd, George Darling, G. L. Griggs, H. M. Hampton, J. E. Hunter, A. C. McDonald, W. W. Norton, W. J. Overton, Jerry Rowan, J. S. Rhein, Nellie Tiller, Isabelle Thomas, Gertrude Thiele, Nellie Wilson, Ward Norton, Charles Britton, F. E. Black and H. L. Hunter, Misses Caroline and Mildred Griggs and Dorothy Hampton.

The first meeting will be held in the public library rooms on the morning of June 15.

Mrs. L. L. Smith is entertaining the T. A. A. club at a 9 o'clock breakfast this morning.

SECOND ALLIANCE GUN CLUB SHOOT

\$125 in Cash and \$25 in Trophies to Be Awarded at Second Annual Alliance Tournament.

The second annual registered tournament of the Alliance Gun club will be held in this city on Sunday, June 9. One hundred and twenty-five dollars in cash and \$25 in trophies will be awarded as prizes. Local trapshooters are anxiously awaiting the event.

Table with 4 columns: Events, Targets, Entrance, Added. Lists various shooting events and their associated costs and prizes.

Money divided per cent system—50-30-20. Targets thrown at two cents each included in entrance. Interstate rules will govern. Two high guns—trophies. Optionals on each 75 targets. Total entrance with optionals today \$18. Shells for sale on the grounds. Lunch will be served. Further particulars can be secured from R. C. Gladson, secretary.

Our great home guard of trap and field shooters must have experienced a thrill of pride when, on a recent occasion, dispatches from "over there" told how the chokebore had gone "over the top" and given a wonderful and deely account of itself. Nobly has trapshooting lived up to its title, "The Patriotic Sport," for from a harmless, clean and invigorating pastime it can at once be converted into an appalling factor of destruction which backed by American determination and withering accuracy, becomes a creature for the most cocksure and fanatical despot to conjure with.

From time to time the trapshooters of the United States have heard vague rumors of some more or less authentic stories of the important part the shotgun was playing in the training of our boys in certain cantonments. How they were being taught by experts to break flying targets and otherwise becoming familiar with a weapon that would "shoot where they looked" with a rapidity of execution which could be accomplished with no other type of gun. And hearing these stories, the trapshooter who, perforce of years, is compelled to remain at home has contented himself with a play of the imagination which pictured each target an enemy and increased his scores accordingly.

What interesting reading it would be for the followers of the sport of (Continued on Page 8 Section 3)

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM IN BUSINESS

F. A. Bald, of Central City, and Lloyd Thomas, of Alliance, Start Business in New Office.

F. A. Bald, of Central City, Nebr., and Lloyd Thomas, of Alliance, have entered the real estate business in Alliance under the firm name of the Thomas-Bald Investment company. The new firm has opened offices in the first floor of the Alliance National bank building.

Mr. Bald is an attorney and has been engaged in the real estate business at Central City for several years. He has been engaged for nearly two years in selling Box Butte county real estate and owns a good slice of Box Butte county farm lands. During the last year he worked with F. A. King, who joined the army in December at Alliance.

Lloyd Thomas was engaged in the real estate business at Alliance in the years 1909 and at that time handled the sale of several thousand acres of Box Butte county lands. He has always been known as one of western Nebraska best boosters and is credited by those who know with being responsible to a large extent, for the extensive and favorable publicity given this part of the state during past years.

The new firm starts out with excellent eastern connections and a good list of western Nebraska lands. In addition to the sale of ranches and farm lands they will engage in the development of potash lakes, having leases and options on a number of excellent propositions.

Mrs. Frank Abegg will entertain the T. A. A. club this evening. Mrs. J. F. O'Connor being the honored guest. Mrs. O'Connor will leave Thursday night for Fremont to spend a couple of months with her parents.

STOCKMEN'S CONVENTION PROGRAM

THE PROGRAM AT ALLIANCE NEXT WEEK WILL BE THE BEST GIVEN AT ALLIANCE CONVENTIONS.

The entertainment program for the annual stockmen's convention, held in Alliance next week, shows the best line-up ever given for a stockman's convention in Nebraska. Fourteen thrilling events every afternoon promise nothing missed in the way of entertainment. The daily program is as follows:

- 2:15 P. M., WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12—FAIR GROUNDS. 1st—Cow Pony Race, half mile. 2nd—Cow Girl Race, half mile. 3rd—Cow Horse Race, half mile. 4th—High School act. 5th—Bucking Contest. 6th—Three Horse Roman Race, half mile. 7th—Half Mile Dash. 8th—Relay Race, two miles. Fancy shooting by Captain Hardy and daughter, of Denver. Trick riding by Harry Walters, of Grover, Colorado.

- 2:15 P. M., THURSDAY, JUNE 13—FAIR GROUNDS. 1st—High Diving Dog. 2nd—High Jumping Horse. 3rd—Wild Mule Race. 4th—Cow Pony Race, half mile. 5th—Relay Race, two miles. 6th—Cow Girl Race. 7th—Cow Horse Race. 8th—High School Act. 9th—Half Mile Dash. 10th—Bucking Contest. Trick riding by Harry Walters, of Grover, Colorado. Fancy shooting by Captain Hardy and daughter, of Denver. Other special events to be announced at the track.

- 2:15 P. M., FRIDAY, JUNE 14—FAIR GROUNDS. THIS WILL BE THE BIG DAY. The committee is making arrangements to put on several extra events, which will be a big surprise. Watch for announcements on Thursday. 1st—Mule contest with sircingle. 2nd—High Diving Dog. 3rd—Half Mile Dash. 4th—Relay Race, two miles (finals). 5th—Five-Eighths Dash. 6th—Bucking Contest. 7th—High School Act. 8th—Cow Horse Race, half mile. 9th—Cow Girl Race, half mile. 10th—Cow Pony Race, half mile. 11th—Three Horse Roman Stand ing Race, half mile. 12th—Wild Mule Race. 13th—High Jumping Horse. 14th—Roman Chariot Race, half mile, eight horses.

COLLISION RESULTING FATALLY TO BROTHER

Judge L. A. Berry's Brother Passes Away This Week, Following Collision With Motor Cycle.

Tuesday Judge L. A. Berry received word from his brother, Fred, at Oran, New York, to the effect that their brother, Frank, had passed away in the hospital.

Mr. Berry was struck by a motor cycle, about three weeks ago, suffering a broken leg, arm and a fractured skull. He was immediately removed to a hospital. Reports three days ago assured Judge Berry that his brother was recovering and would soon leave the hospital. Serious complications set in Monday which caused death late that night.

Prof. C. W. Pugsley, director of the extension service of the college of agriculture of the University of Nebraska, has resigned to enter private business. Prof. Pugsley had been director of the extension service for seven years and his services were highly valued by the university. The board of regents expressed at being unable to meet the flattering offer Prof. Pugsley received from private sources. C. E. Gunnels, state county agent leader, was appointed by the regents to succeed Prof. Pugsley.

Wednesday sixty-nine young men registered at the court house, of this number sixty-two were native citizens, three naturalized and four aliens. There was but one colored man in the entire number that registered.

The Alliance city library got together a nice box of books last week. These were turned over to Sergeant Gibbs, of the recruiting station. He shipped them to Camp Howie, Texas.

.38 of an inch of rain fell Tuesday evening at Alliance.

RED CROSS SHIPS MANY NEW ARTICLES

Auditing of Books of Local Red Cross Shows the Affairs in Excellent Condition.

J. S. Cockrell, auditor for the Nebraska Red Cross, was in Alliance Saturday for the purpose of auditing the books of the local chapter. He found the accounts in perfect balance and he expressed his pleasure at finding such a live and enthusiastic chapter.

His report shows annual dues collected of \$1,110.50; subscribing dues collected of \$126.50; miscellaneous income of \$6,618.51. The miscellaneous expense amounted to \$5,573.57, unaccounted from other branches \$365.50, and cash on hand of \$1,918.44.

The last shipment of goods included: 490 abdominal bandages, 125 scultatus, 515 T bandages, 435 triangular, 44 bed jackets, 60 pajamas, 12 convalescent robes, 39 bed shirts, 73 drawers, 110 under shirts, 30 bed socks, 20 reversible bed jackets, 16 shoulder wraps, 39 wash cloths, 66 tray clothes, 40 napkins and 30 hand towels.

The Red Cross requests those knitting sweaters to see that the seams are sewed instead of crocheted. Those having old knitted garments can do a good deed by donating them to the Red Cross. Old kid gloves are useful for making lining for aviator's jackets.

Dr. Mahaffy returned from Mullen Tuesday, where he went to help his brother, R. W., take care of a number of head of cattle, shipped from southern Texas.

Miss Opal Russell and Mrs. P. C. Cogswell autoed to Crawford Tuesday, returning on No. 42 Wednesday night.

OFFICIAL HOME GUARD ORDER

ALL MEMBERS of Box Butte Home Guards will report at headquarters tent at Third and Box Butte avenue, Alliance, at 9 o'clock a. m., on Saturday, June 8, to assist in the registration of all men between the ages of 16 and 50, as per order of the Box Butte county council of defense. No excuse will be accepted for non-appearance from any member of the home guards.

Any guard absenting himself from this duty will be dealt with by the county council of defense. All guards and non-commissioned officers will appear in proper uniform. (Signe) ROY C. STRONG, Captain Company A, Box Butte Home Guards.

GRIFITH COMPANY ISSUES STATEMENT

Wyoming Oil Company, in Which Many Local Parties Are Interested, Tells of Recent Developments.

A large number of Alliance people are interested financially in the Griffith Oil company, whose head offices are at Casper, Wyoming. The directors of this company—J. N. Andrews, Lee M. Hall, I. Salinsky, J. A. Armour and Benjamin F. Beach, have issued the following statement to their stockholders, from Casper under date of May 20:

"The board of directors feel that a report covering the matters discussed and acted upon at the recent stockholders' meeting should be made to the stockholders of the company. It is believed that this is necessary in view of the wide publicity given to certain of the company's transactions by the former president of the company, Harry B. Griffith.

"In a circular letter of some twenty-seven pages, which was mailed to the stockholders of record, a personal attack was made on his associate members of the former board of directors, because of certain transactions by the board which occurred while the president was absent in Texas, and because of certain differences of opinion between the president and other members of the board.

"In the circular letter referred to, only one side of the transactions was set forth. As to the real situation under which the transactions referred to occurred, facts were distorted and charges were made explicitly impugning the good faith and honesty of the board of directors. The president of the company, acting upon the assumption that he was the sole guardian of the company's interests, and possessed a monopoly of honesty, took these matters into court, and having obtained an injunction in the district court of Wyoming, enjoining all further operations on the part of the board of directors, began a campaign of slander and abuse of his associates in the board of preparatory to an expected vindication of himself at the stockholders' meeting.

"We are happy to say that these matters have all been cleared up, and that the affairs of the company are now in shape to move forward without further delay and interference. By an overwhelming vote of the stock represented, which aggregated some ninety per cent of the entire issued stock, the action of the president was repudiated, and the course pursued by his associate members of the board was ratified and approved. It was apparent from the temper of the meeting that while the stockholders were anxious to maintain (Continued on Page 8 Section 2)

TWO SPECIAL TRAINS DURING CONVENTION

Trains Will Run From Hyannis to Alliance on June 12 and 13 to Handle Convention Traffic.

Secretary Fisher, of the Community club, and his committee have arranged for two special trains to care for the visitors to this city during the stockmen's convention. On the 12th the train will start at Hyannis and stop at every town along the route and on the 13th the train will leave Alliance early in the morning, stopping going east and coming back. Arrangements have been made to stop No. 42 on the 12th at Antioch and Hyannis and on the 13th at Antioch and Lakeside. The train on the 13th goes only as far east as Lakeside.

Schedule for June 12. Alliance to Hyannis, no stops. Lv. Hyannis 9:45 a. m. Ashby 10:02 a. m. Bingham 10:20 a. m. Ellsworth 10:40 a. m. Lakeside 11:01 a. m. Antioch 11:35 a. m. Hoffman 11:35 a. m. Ar. Alliance (Cen. time) 12:01 a. m.

Schedule for June 13. Lv. Alliance (Cen. time) 9:30 a. m. Ar. Hoffman 10:05 a. m. Antioch 10:15 a. m. Lakeside 10:40 a. m. Lv. Lakeside 11:01 a. m. Antioch 11:25 a. m. Hoffman 11:35 a. m. Ar. Alliance 12:01 bkgkj Ar. Alliance (Cen. time) 12:01 p. m.

The draft board announces that there will be 41 men called from this district during June.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Schwaesinger, farmers about one mile northwest of town, became the parents of a little girl, born to them Monday evening.

SPUD SITUATION VARIES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

KAW VALLEY CROP GOOD—ACREAGE SHORT IN THE AMERICAN BOTTOMS

CHICAGO MARKET EASIER

Growers of Old Stock Hauling to Market Freely—Stock Expected to Clean Up Well—Market on New Potatoes.

The Packer shows a number of conflicting reports for the past week in the spud sections, the situation for the country being as follows:

Kansas City.—Indications point to a larger crop of potatoes in the Kaw valley this year than in 1917, there being an increase in acreage generally reported. The crop is in good condition.

On the north side of the river the survey of the crop by the Union Pacific shows 2,689 acres planted, divided as follows: Muncie 50 acres; Edwardsville 680; Benner Springs 160; Loring 219; Lenape 109; Fruitland 198; Linwood 234; Lawrence including Midland 267; Williams-town, including Buck Creek 235; Perry, including Medina 346; Newlan 50; Grantville 141.

The acreage on the south side of the river has not yet been tabulated, but last year there were 2,726 acres grown.

The Kaw valley potatoes usually begin to move in carlots early in July.

Potato Acreage Short in American Bottoms.

St. Louis, Mo.—The demand for old potatoes last week was slow and while offerings were light, the movement was draggy.

The potato acreage in the American Bottoms, across the river from here is about 75 per cent of last year.

Last year around 125 cars were shipped. This year it is not believed more than 100 cars will be loaded.

The movement will commence about July 1.

Lower prices prevailed for new potatoes last week. Offerings showed a considerable increase and the demand was quiet. The market displayed an unsettled tone on the decline. (Continued on Page 12 Section 1)

STARCH FACTORY GETS MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT

Business Men and Farmers Strongly in Favor of Establishment of Potato Starch Factory

Prof. R. F. Howard, of Lincoln, secretary of the federal potato committee and a government booster for the development of the potato industry, spent Saturday in Box Butte county explaining the potato starch factory proposition to business men and farmers.

Professor Howard spoke first to a number of Alliance business men at a luncheon at the Alliance hotel at noon. He stated that four months ago Prof. Pugsley, director of the university extension service of the College of Agriculture, started investigating the making of starch from potatoes. This investigation has been carried on faithfully and Nebraska will have several of these factories in time for the next crop of spuds.

In his talk Prof. Howard explained that many people confuse potato starch and flour, although they are distinctly different products and made in a different way. The potato flour is made from the entire solid content of the potato while potato starch simply takes the starch which forms a large part of the solid potato content. Moisture forms about 78 per cent of the potato. Prof. Howard had samples of both potato starch and flour, made in the government experimental laboratory at Denver.

In the making of starch all kind of potatoes can be used—culls, potato toes afflicted with dry rot and scab can all be used. Denver firms can now furnish all the machinery necessary to make potato starch. A factory sufficient to handle 900 bushels per day will cost from \$8,000 to \$10,000 for the machinery. The buildings and installing would cost probably that much additional. Twenty five thousand dollars would be ample to build and finance a factory in Box Butte county.

Ten pounds of starch is made from 100 pounds of potatoes. The operating cost in producing a pound of starch is from one to one and one quarter cents. The potatoes would cost an average of forty cents per bushel. (Continued on Page 12 Section 1)